

# Dunleer Parish Bulletin

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Sat Sept 5 <sup>th</sup> 7 30	Leo Callan Jim Torris and dec'd of family. B Rem Mary Duffy
Sun 6 <sup>th</sup> 11 30	Noel Lambe Thos Harmon Thomas and Claire Boylan  B.M. John Murphy
Sat 12 <sup>th</sup> 7 30	Annie and Patrick Devine Oliver and Olive Matthews
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> 10 30	Gerry and May Walker
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> 11 30	Brendan Bowhan Jim McCabe

**Because of the ongoing restrictions, it is not possible to hold our usual Patrun Day in Dromin this year.**

**Prayers for the deceased of both graveyards will be offered at the usual 10 30 Mass on Sunday October 11<sup>th</sup>.**

**History of St Brigid's Church and parish. New book available in churches and in porch at side of Parish House. Pre-Launch price 10 Euro. Copies can be picked up from porch. Put money in container provided please.**

The readings give us some indications as to the responsibilities we have to one another. Ezekiel invites us to be prophets, sentries warning of the approaching consequences of our actions. Prophets do not mince words and he explains that sinful ways lead ultimately to death. He reminds us that we each have an obligation to point this out to each other and to repent and change always.

Saint Paul reminds us of the basic Old Testament commandments and of the New Testament imperative to love. Christian love is something very specific unlike our own word in English which covers all kind of love, banal or beautiful. Christian love is based on recognition of self as made in God's image and likeness and baptised into Christ perhaps.

From the dignity and privileges and promises inherent in this, we are to move out to others and to God. We are called to respect others, even those we disagree with, to allow others dignity and to conduct ourselves with dignity and self-respect, all arising out of our sense of Christian vocation.

The Gospel outlines the procedures of the early church in dealing with members who were considered to have fallen into ways that were wrong. They do not avoid telling the offender of the offence, they reason with the person and they give opportunity to redress the wrong and to save face. Christian love requires justice, mercy and tolerance without departing from high Christian standards of behaviour.

Such are the guidelines. We are to apply them in our own situations. Our efforts are to be based on the foundation of a love that is lived out after the example of Christ.